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AMENDMENT C

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is responsive to the Office Action dated May 31, 2006, having a term that expired on August 31, 2006. A petition for a 1-month Extension of Time extending the deadline for responding to the Official Action up to and including September 30, 2006 is attached hereto. Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the following Amendments and Remarks.